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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of American Transmission Company for Authority to
Construct Electric Transmission Facilities at the Wisconsin Power
and Light Company's Rock River Generating Station, Located in
Rock County

137-CE-107

**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING,
ASSESSMENT OF COSTS AND HEARING**

Direct Testimony Due:	Monday, August 5, 2002 – Noon
Rebuttal Testimony Due:	Monday, August 12, 2002 – Noon
Hearing Date:	Thursday, August 15, 2002 – 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
Hearing Location:	Beloit Town Hall, 2871 Afton Road, Beloit, WI

THIS IS A PROCEEDING to consider the application for construction of transmission interconnection facilities for the Riverside Energy Center, a combined-cycle electric generating plant in Rock County, Wisconsin.

The application of the American Transmission Company LLC and ATC Management Inc., its corporate manager, known collectively as American Transmission Company (ATC), own and operate electric transmission facilities in Rock County, Wisconsin. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.49 and Wis. Admin. Code §§ 112.05, 112.06 and 4.10(2), ATC is seeking a Certificate of Authority and any other authorization needed to construct the required high voltage transmission interconnection facilities.

ATC has signed an interconnection agreement with Riverside Energy Center, LLC to interconnect the Riverside Energy Center with the ATC facilities. The agreement has been filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in Docket No. ER02-1757-000.

Riverside Energy Center, LLC, is proposing to locate its generating plant adjacent to the existing Wisconsin Power and Light Rock River power plant. Copies of the construction applications are available for public view at public libraries throughout the project area. Copies are also available at the offices of clerks for each county, town, village, and city within close proximity to the project area.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicants. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicants in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

The Commission will hold a hearing on Thursday, August 15, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the Beloit Town Hall, 2871 Afton Road, Beloit, Wisconsin. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs. Parking for people with disabilities is available. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Any person desiring to become a party shall file a request pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(2m) and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.21(3) no later than 7 days from the date of this notice. The request shall be addressed to Administrative Law Judge David C. Whitcomb, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7854.

If granted party status, you would have certain rights and obligations. You would be served with all legal documents in the case, such as letters, pleadings, testimony, briefs, and decisions. You would also be required to follow the Commission's rules of procedure and to provide a copy of anything you file to all other parties. You need not become a party in order to participate in the Commission's hearing. Members of the public are encouraged to testify at the hearing and are not required to prepare their statements in writing or in advance of the hearing session.

This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

This is a Type III action under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 4.10(2). No unusual circumstances suggesting the likelihood of significant environmental consequences have come to the Commission's attention. Neither an environmental impact statement under Wis. Stats. § 1.11 nor an environmental assessment is required.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Questions from the media may be directed to Annemarie Newman, Public Information Officer at (608) 266-9600.

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Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Glenn Zimmerman at (608) 267-9197.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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